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Unitary shipments -----

April rises 5.4% to set record

ARLINGTON, Va. -- Combined U.S. shipments of unitary air conditioners and air source heat pumps set a new monthly record in April, rising 5.4 percent above April 1987 shipments, according to ARI statistics.

However, heat pump shipments dropped 6.5 percent compared to April 1987, to fall 4.3 percent behind last year's pace. U.S. shipments of unitary air conditioners and heat pumps during April:

- o totalled 389,106,
- o up 5.4% from April 1987,
- o year-to-date total 1,355,483,
- o up 1.6% from January-April 1987.

Heat pump shipments included in the April figures:

- o totalled 78,070,
- o down 6.5% from April 1987,
- o year-to-date total 295,931,
- o down 4.3% from January-April 1987.

April factory stocks:

- o up 8,287 units from March,
- o up 77,464 units from April 1987.

April distributor shipments:

- o up 5% from April 1987,
- o year-to-date shipments up 6%.

April distributor inventories:

- o up 27,086 units from March,
- o up 62,375 units from April 1987.

April U.S. dollar bookings of reciprocating liquid chillers:

- o up 30% from April 1987,
- o year-to-date up 21%.

April U.S. dollar bookings of large tonnage liquid chillers:

- o down 12% from April 1987,
- o year-to-date up 1%.

(See reverse side for Condensed Summary by Size.)

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Unitary Heating and Cooling Section's Condensed Summary by Size of United States Manufacturers' Shipments

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UNITED STATES

CONDENSED SUMMARY BY SIZE	SIZE BTUH (000)		NUMBER OF UNITS: CONDENSER-TYPE AIR OR EVAP. COOLED A	NUMBER OF UNITS: CONDENSER-TYPE WATER COOLED B	U.S. TOTAL C	% CHG. FROM 1987
	Under 16.5		2063		2063	56.3-
	16.5-21.9		31501		31501	9.2-
	22-26.9		79622		79622	8.3+
	27-32.9		78894		78894	9.1+
	33-38.9		84242	77	84319	7.3+
	39-43.9		32905		32905	11.8+
	44-53.9		34371		34371	3.8+
	54-64.9		30722	177	30899	7.5+
	65-96.9		5414	105	5519	5.4-
	97-134.9		4605	68	4673	11.7+
	135-184.9		2176	39	2215	4.8-
	185-249.9		856	12	868	21.1+
	250-319.9		336	22	358	3.8-
	320-379.9		219	31	250	1.2-
	380-539.9		219	49	268	32.0+
	540-639.9		130	37	167	36.9+
	640 and over		183	31	214	5.9+
	TOTAL		384458	648	389106	5.4+